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MILK PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the milk production of the elite hard of the NDRI, Karnal decreased during the period 1996-99;

(b) if so, the details and quantum thereof;

(c) the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken to increase the milk production?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) Yes Sir.

(b) The milk production at NDRI was 14,06,064 kg in 1996; 14,08,172 kg in 1997; 12,08,706 kg in 1998 and 12,38,804 kg in 1999. The reduction in milk production was 1,99,466 kg in 1998 and 1,69,368 kg in 1999 as compared to the year 1997.

(c) The milk production declined due to reduction in total number of animals and an outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease during October 1998.

(d) The steps taken to increase milk production are procurement of high quality germplasm to enrich the milk production potential of the existing stock and modernization of cattle yard with state of the art housing structure.